

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 5490

As Passed Senate, March 8, 2007

Title: An act relating to adult family home advisory committees.

Brief Description: Adding a law enforcement representative to the adult family home advisory committee.

Sponsors: Senator Brandland.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Health & Long-Term Care: 2/05/07, 2/8/07 [DP].
Passed Senate: 3/08/07, 49-0.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & LONG-TERM CARE

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators Keiser, Chair; Franklin, Vice Chair; Pflug, Ranking Minority Member; Carrell, Fairley, Kastama, Kohl-Welles, Marr and Parlette.

Staff: Rhoda Donkin (786-7465)

Background: The adult family home advisory committee was established in 2002 to provide recommendations to the Department of Social and Health Services on matters pertaining to the industry. Specifically, they are required to convene at least four times a year, and review issues related to inspection, enforcement, and quality improvement. Currently, the committee includes adult family home providers, the long term care ombudsman, and representatives from the resident council program, families, and consumers.

Summary of Bill: A representative from a general authority Washington law enforcement agency is added to the adult family home advisory committee.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available.

Committee/Commission/Task Force Created: No.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Staff Summary of Public Testimony: PRO: The adult family home committee could use the perspective of law enforcement at the table. They are a valuable resource.

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Persons Testifying: PRO: Senator Brandland, prime sponsor; Bill Day, Adult Family Home Association.